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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Jake Johnson Called
To The Other Side

Nothing has ever given the residents of Pioche and Lincoln county such a profound shock as did the news last Tuesday morning that Jake Johnson was dead. Many were loath to believe that the old familiar hand mark had departed this life. Nevertheless it was real; his labor on earth was finished and he had been called to his reward.

On Christmas day he met his friends in the usual way; yet to a few with whom he had close association for many years he complained of not feeling well; Sunday he appeared to be in good spirits; but Monday evening he called to see J. A. Nesbitt shortly after the movie show. After talking with Mr. Nesbitt for awhile he said: "Jim, I am all in. If I am not around by 8 o'clock in the morning send down to the house and get the keys to the jail and have some one feed the prisoners." Nesbitt could see that something worried Jake, but talked cheerfully to him and told him to go to bed and get a good sleep; that he would fish all right in the morning. Jim was the last man he spoke to up town: Just before 9 o'clock in the morning he was found dead in bed by C. W. Garrison and John Ewing who called to get the keys to the jail. Mrs. Johnson had been up with her husband during the night and had taken with him scarcely an hour before Garrison and Ewing came.

When she left him Jake thought he could go to sleep—but it was that sleep which knows no awakening. Apparently the end came quietly and peacefully.

Jake Johnson came to Lincoln county many years ago and was a conspicuous figure around the mines as a teamster. He first entered official life by accepting the appointment of deputy, when H. E. Freudenthal was sheriff of Lincoln County—which then comprised all of what is now Lincoln and Clark counties. At the conclusion of Mr. Freudenthal's term of office Jake Johnson was elected sheriff and succeeded himself three more terms. The fifth time he ran he was defeated by Phil K. Smith, who appointed him as his deputy. Johnson retained the deputyship under Sheriff O. H. Smith; filled the unexpired term of that later as sheriff and when Earl J. Ronnow was elected was again appointed deputy and served in that capacity up to the time of his death.

While Jake Johnson had his faults, as every man has, he possessed many sterling qualities. He was fearless and faithful in the performance of duty. His friends were many and his enemies few. He will be missed; particularly around the court room where he had been a conspicuous figure for all the years of his official career.

The funeral was conducted from the Union Sunday School building Thursday afternoon under the direction of Rev. Smith of the Episcopal Mission. During the services, at the request of members of the family, the Mormon hymn, "Oh, My Father" was sung by the choir. This hymn was a favorite of the deceased. Judge Harney delivered an eloquent eulogistic address.

Interment took place in the L. O. O. F. cemetery.

The Record joins with the friends of the bereaved family in extending heartfelt sympathy.

COURT PAYS RESPECT
TO JAKE JOHNSON

When the district court was called Tuesday afternoon, after Henry Lee had been duly appointed administrator of the estate of James Mathews, deceased, and Father Daniel Slattery had been authorized to solemnize marriages in this county, Judge Harney took occasion to mention the fact that no more would be able to hear the voice of the faithful under-sheriff, Jake Johnson, as he pronounced the words "Hear ye, hear ye." Jake had been called to the Great Beyond, and the Judge believed that it would be only a small token of the high esteem in which the departed officer of the court had been held, to make a few remarks in connection with his loyalty, fearlessness, honesty and integrity.

The Judge then delivered a particularly eloquent eulogy in the course of which he dwelt upon Mr. Johnson's onerous duties while a deputy sheriff and later on as sheriff, when Lincoln and Clark counties were one; when the pay was ridiculously small, but the demands of the office great. He spoke of his association and co-operation with Mr. Johnson when he himself was district attorney, and his associations

with him since that time as an officer of the court, during all of which period he had found Mr. Johnson characterized by marked ability and fidelity in his particular line of duty; by which he had secured and held the respect and gratitude of his fellow citizens. If he had an enemy, it was himself; but, in the words of the court, "I have yet to meet the man who is perfect—that man I cannot expect to meet, unless it should be in the life hereafter."

The court then called upon the members of the bar present, to express their sympathy, and District Attorney Wm. E. Orr and A. L. Scott responded. At the conclusion of their remarks, court was declared adjourned out of respect to the memory of its departed officer, Jake Johnson, until after his funeral.

SPECULATION AS TO
JOHNSON'S SUCCESSOR

There is considerable speculation going the rounds as to who will succeed the late Jake Johnson as deputy sheriff and jailor at Pioche. It is likely that Sheriff Ronnow will not announce an appointment until the meeting of county commissioners here next week.

As C. P. Christensen of Caliente is Mr. Ronnow's deputy at Caliente the impression prevails that he will be given the Pioche appointment as it carries \$25 per month more salary than he is now getting as deputy in the railroad town and in point of service is entitled to it. It is said, too, that Mr. Christensen would like to be advanced to the chief deputyship. He arrived in town Wednesday morning and, at the request of Sheriff Ronnow, has been performing those duties which formerly devolved upon Mr. Johnson.

BRISTOL MINES ARE NOW
SHIPPING BIG TONNAGE

H. E. Freudenthal came in from Bristol Thursday afternoon and from him the Record learned that the Con. California-Nevada company is now shipping ore at the rate of 1500 tons per month. Since December 15th the Pioche Pacific train has been running every other day, bringing in 100 tons of ore per trip. The storm during the past few days has interfered somewhat with the transportation of ore over the tramway; however, not seriously. The company has at least 1,000 tons of ore broken in the Gypsy mine and several available places in the mine is filled with ore for shipment. The tempest is producing about 25 tons of ore per day. The company is working a force of about 60 men at the present time.

Prince Ore Shipments

One shipment from the Prince Consolidated mine this week amounted to 44 cars, which is lighter than usual, due to the Christmas holidays vacation when the mine was shut down. The company is shipping a larger tonnage per day however than for some time, averaging about ten cars or 500 tons per day.

Some Seasonable Weather

This part of Nevada has been experiencing real winter weather for several days past. The temperature has been down to zero which has been accompanied by a heavy fall of snow.

COLONEL H. B. MAXSON
RUN DOWN BY TAXICAB

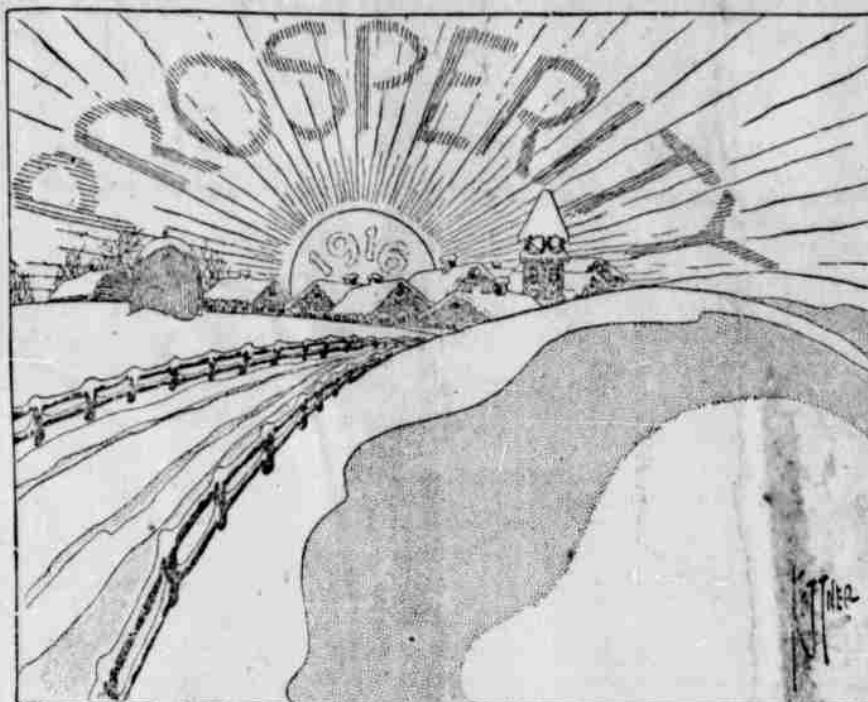
Several men at the windows of the Union League club. Thirty-Ninth street and Fifth avenue, yesterday saw an aged man knocked down by a taxicab. A policeman aided him to his feet and asked him his name. "H. B. Maxson, of Reno, Nevada," said the injured man, "and believe me I knew that this would have to come."

He was taken into the Union League club and one of the first members he saw was Ormsby McHarg. Mr. McHarg thereafter took charge of Colonel Maxson, who is a Republican national committeeman from Nevada.

Colonel Maxson declared that he did not wish to have the driver of the automobile arrested as he thought it was an accident. Soon after he was taken to his room in the Waldorf Astoria, where he was attended by Dr. Adams. Mr. Maxson's elbow was badly fractured.

B. L. Smith, secretary of the Yuba company, has been confined to his home this week by illness.

THE DAWN OF THE NEW YEAR



COURTESY

TAX COMMISSION'S
CLASSIFICATION FOR 1916

According to a resolution passed by the members of the Nevada Tax Commission, the following classification of lands entitled "Land Classification, 1916," has been forwarded to the various assessors of the state for use for the assessment purposes of 1916:

1. Cultivated Land: First class; Third class; Fourth class.

Note—Land in vegetables shall be assessed as first class cultivated land. It is also land capable of producing over 5 tons of alfalfa hay per acre, and land capable of producing over 1 ton of wheat or oats per acre.

Land capable of producing 3 1-2 tons of alfalfa hay per acre, and land capable of producing from 1,400 to 2,000 pounds of wheat or oats per acre shall be assessed as second class cultivated land.

Land capable of producing from 2 to 3 1-2 tons of cultivated hay per acre and land capable of producing from 800 to 1,400 pounds of wheat or oats per acre shall be assessed as third class cultivated land.

Land capable of producing less than 2 tons of cultivated hay per acre, and land capable of producing less than 800 pounds of wheat or oats per acre, shall be assessed as fourth class cultivated land.

2. Meadow Land: (Wild hay land from which crops are cut) First class; second class.

Note—Land capable of producing over 1 1-2 tons and under of wild hay per acre shall be assessed as first class meadow land.

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3. Pasture Land: (Irrigated pasture only) First class; Second class.

Note—Segregation to be left to discretion of assessor.

4. Irrigable or Arable Land: (Land susceptible of irrigation but as yet uncultivated or cleared.) First class; Second class; Third class.

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5. Grazing land: (Land not susceptible to irrigation, but valuable for range purposes.) First class; Second class.

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6. Mountain Land: (Rocky or alkaline land unsuitable for grazing or which does not come under any of the foregoing classifications.) One class only.

It was also decided by the Tax Commission that the acreage price for assessment purposes for each of the foregoing classifications shall be 80 per cent of the full cash value as determined by the several assessors; such price valuation to be subject to equalization by the various county boards of equalization and the State board of equalization.

Be it also resolved that land which by reason of character alone would be placed in one of the foregoing classes but which by reason of extraordinary desirable location or other cause, is in the opinion of the assessor, of a greater valuation than land in general coming under a like character classification shall be entered on the 1916 assessment roll on a separate line, its general classification given preceded by the word "Special" and followed by figures giving its estimated excess value.

NEVADA TAX COMMISSION
L. F. Adamson,
Commissioner Secretary.
Approved:
FMMET D. BOYLE, Chairman.

ARCANE COMPANY
TO BEGIN OPERATION

Activities have begun upon another Pioche property—the old California Pioche, or what is now known as the Arcane Mining company. Ultimately it is the intention of the company to sink the shaft to the 800-foot level; but the work outlined for the present will consist of erecting and drifting on the ore shoots on the 300-foot level, which is the recommendation of the company's engineer Mr. B. G. Lott, formerly of the Andes Exploration company of Chili, who is now in camp and expects to remain here indefinitely.

The equipment at the mine is being put in order and it will be a matter of only a short time until the work planned for the future will be under way.

Mr. Lott arrived here a few days ago accompanied by H. W. Rand, president of the company, who has recently established headquarters at Salt Lake.

Early in the week Messrs. Rand and Lott visited the Atlas property company with Ed. F. Freudenthal. Mr. Rand says there is a nice showing of ore exposed in this property and that as soon as weather conditions settle it is planned to begin shipments from there. It is estimated that 8,000 tons of ore are exposed on one bed in this property and which, Mr. Rand says, assay from 70 to 30 per cent lead and from 5 to 30 ounces in silver.

Odd Fellows Election

The members of Pioche Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F., at a recent meeting elected the following officers: A. L. Stewart, noble grand; E. C. D. Marriage, vice grand; A. A. Carman, secretary; W. M. Christian, treasurer.

NEW DISPLAY ADSD TODAY

Leader Clothing Store—The Season's Greetings.

Mac's Drug Store—Hot Water Bottles.

Beckers Brewing Co.—Choice Beers

Pioche Meat Company—All kinds of meats.

R. J. Reynolds Co.—Prince Albert Tobacco.

NEW AUTO LAW

EFFECTIVE JAN. 1

Following are the important features of the new automobile law, effective the first of the year:

The owner of every automobile, motorcycle or other similar motor vehicle, shall within ten days after the acquisition of the same, file with the secretary of state a statement of his name and address, with a brief description of the vehicle to be registered, including the name of the maker, factory number, style of vehicle and motor power. Subsequent filing shall be made by each owner of any motor vehicle on or before the first Monday in February of each and every year.

It is made the duty of the sheriff in each county in the state to enforce all of the provisions of the act relative to the operation of motor driven vehicles, and if he knowingly neglects or refuses to do so for each offense he shall be liable to a fine of \$20.

It is made the duty of the several county assessors of the state to report annually in writing to the secretary of state, not later than the third Monday in January of each and every year commencing in January, 1916, the name of each and every owner of a motor driven vehicle within his respective county, together with the name of the maker, factory number, style of vehicle and motor power.

Work Being Pushed
On Nevada-Utah Mill

NORTHWEST NOTES

Harry McMillen and Irvin Johnny, two Indian boys wanted at the Stewart Institute at Carson City, Nevada, were picked up by the police in Reno.

Several Reno dairies are charged with very low prices in the November tests for butter fat and bacterial content made by the city milk inspector.

A huge Christmas tree placed in Monument Valley park, bearing trays of edibles for the birds, was one of the features of Christmas in Colorado Springs.

The placer workings of the Battle Mountain (Nevada) mining company from April 1 to September 30, 1915, inclusive, yielded nearly two dollars to the yard.

At a meeting of the state board of pardons at Carson, Nevada, R. A. Canavan, serving a sentence of from twelve to seventeen years for robbery committed in Humboldt county, was paroled.

Mrs. Raffalli Puchetti of Floriston, Calif., who was shown in the back December 25th by Giovanni Margaroli and who was taken to Reno for medical attention is reported to be getting along very nicely.

The case of Walter Rime against the Steptoe Valley smelters has been settled out of court and the court at Carson, Nevada, has entered a formal judgment in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of \$4,000.

Boy Scouts and Campfire Girls carried Christmas cheer to 400 families in Denver, distributing well filled baskets to the poor. Fraternal and charitable organizations, in addition, saw that other poor were cared for.

A detail of United States army recruits, 115 in number, passed through Salt Lake last week on their way from Jefferson Barracks, Mo., to San Francisco, whence they will be sent to the Philippine and Hawaiian Islands.

Public gatherings in celebration of Christmas were more general throughout Oregon this season than ever before. At a number of towns outdoor Christmas trees were given for children, and at many others exercises were held in halls.

Sheep from Utah and Idaho are being kept clear of Nevada grazing grounds this year, according to Salt Lake sheepmen. Whereas last winter fully 150,000 sheep went into Nevada from these two states, this year less than 35,000 will go over the border.

Governor Boyle and Dr. Mullen of the Nevada state board of health, conferred with the governors of Oregon, Idaho and California the first of last week in an effort to devise some means of preventing the rabies, which has been increasing of late at an alarming extent.

Mayor Emerick touched the button which launched the first municipal Christmas celebration at Medford, Ore., and a few minutes later two thousand children of the city were dancing about an outdoor Christmas tree ablaze with light and receiving presents.

At Cooper Canyon, Nevada, J. Hooker is alleged to have stabbed A. L. Borcharding. The trouble is said to have started over a remark that Borcharding made to the effect that the men who aided Peter Mowert to escape from the Battle Mountain jail should be sent to the penitentiary.

On account of umbrage taken at mandatory orders of Chief "Cooney" the young braves have refused to respond to his call to join in the annual rabbit hunt in Eagle Valley, Nevada, and the farming district in that section is threatened to be over run with the bunnies this year.

David Harkey was arrested at Ely Nev., on the charge of placing a woman in a house of ill repute. Ida Johnson complained to the sheriff that Harkey, after furnishing her with money to come from Butte, Mont., to Ely, placed her in a house, where she remained for about one week.

The rules to govern the northwest dairy products show to be held at Spokane, Wash., February 24, 25 and 26, 1916, at which many northwestern dairymen will be prominently represented, have been announced. The object of the show is to improve the quality and uniformity of dairy products in this territory.

The directors of the Oregon-Utah Sugar company in session at Salt Lake telegraphed their acceptance of five

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather this week, work has been going on with the excavations for the new Consolidated Nevada-Utah mill and it is expected that the working force at the site of the plant will be materially increased today.

Practically all of the equipment and material for the plant has been ordered. The company has arranged for the 100-horse power gasoline engine formerly in use at the properties of the Providence Mines & Commercial company. At the present time this engine is in use at the Prince mine, but is to be moved to this side and placed in the mill. The mill plant is to be arranged into three separate buildings on account of the railroad tracks; while a secondary consideration this arrangement will require less excavating than otherwise would be the case.

As stated in last week's issue of the Record, the mill plant is to be lighted by electricity and this service will be extended to include the surface workings of the mine. In regard to supplying the town with light and power, Supt. Van Wagenen states that such a thing is possible if, he says, the company can obtain a sufficient guarantee from citizens the management would be inclined to give this much needed service. Steam engines will be used to generate power to make electricity.

POLITICAL GOSSIP

Word comes from Caliente that C. P. Christensen, at present deputy sheriff at that point, will be a candidate for election to the office of sheriff of Lincoln county next fall. It is also reported from reliable authority that Joe Hollinger of Eagle Valley will be a candidate; while friends of Ed Deck are urging him to try for the Democratic nomination. Deck was a candidate for the nomination in 1914 and was defeated in the primaries by nine votes by Dan Ronnow. This makes four men mentioned for sheriff, R. R. Orr being the first in the field for the Republican nomination.

Caliente will have another candidate, W. A. Denton, son of former Senator J. A. Denton, has announced that he will go before the county convention as a candidate for county clerk on the Democratic ticket.

There seems to be a demand among Democrats for Dan Ronnow to accept the Democratic nomination for assessor. He has made a good record they say, and that it would be a mistake to displace him. It is believed Dan will make the run.

Tom Osborne is spoken of as the probable nominee of the Republicans for district attorney.

Gus Bladd of Caliente has many friends who want him to run for county recorder. He was a candidate last year against C. W. Garrison, but was defeated. The argument is put forth that he is better known in the county now, which would be a big factor in his behalf.

Judge P. A. McCarran when asked if he was going to resign as Supreme Judge, as intimated in the Reno Gazette, he replied he could not find that word in the Democratic text book.—Carson Appeal.

thousand acres of beet land subscribed by the farmers of the Rogue valley, in Oregon, and announced that immediately after the holidays a contract would be let to build a sugar beet factory in the Rouge river valley.

After warrants were issued at Olympia, Wash., charging J. F. Gillies, claim agent, Frank W. Stone and Eugene W. Kearns, a local saloonman, with grand larceny in connection with the passing of a false claim for \$1,312 on the state industrial insurance department, Governor Ernest Lister offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest of Stone.

Daniel Edwards, who has been touring the state of Nevada for the past several months buying up horses for the French government, reports that there is a considerable slump in the market just at the present time owing to the congestion of freight traffic.

A typewriter agent named Page who had been soliciting in Tonopah is alleged to have left that town without settling with his landlady for the food he consumed during his stay there. His trip was intercepted by an officer and he was forced to settle.